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New Canada Stamps To Be Issued In April

Early Latvian Stamps Are Grim Reminder Of The First World War

By Charles Bergman

In my opinion, some of the most interesting philatelic oddities are included in the early issues of Latvia. They are the stamps which were printed on the backs of military maps, banknotes, and

Interesting War Map



A German War Map of World War I. Note the Perforations. were printed on the other side of these maps.

horizontal blue lined paper, like the type used in exercise books. They are very inexpensive, make an attractive collection, and offer a productive field of research for •

because of the poor market they Perhaps most collectors know little or nothing about their existance. Let me tell you their

On November 17, 1917, the Republic of Latvia, formerly a province of Russia, was given her in-dependence. Two years later the government set to the task of esblishing an efficient postal system, and this naturally required the issuance of a set of postage Due to the effects of the World War, paper had become quite scarce, and the little republic was faced with the problem of ng a sufficient supply of it. The Post Office Department soon acquired a large number of Gern ordnance maps which had been used in the campaign against a, and they printed part of their first issue on the backs of

Some of these stamps are exemely interesting, and make items, because bear detailed drawings of where some of the great tles of Warld War I took place. A few of the maps will be found to have pencil or ink markings ch were made by German ofwho were planning cam-and battle tactics in the s shown, but these are very Very few of these maps been used in the field, bethe stamps were printed on Sheets supply.

ets printed on the complete ply and make a nice show-

Following these, another issue inade on white paper, ruled with horizontal blue lines. In Feb-1919, nine values appeared on very thin transparent paper, amost as thin as cigarette paper. These stamps are very common and are the ones which reside in t collections.

The scarcity of paper became acute, and in August, 1920, a Latvian postal authorities isnotes; and red, green, and and Foreign stamps,

brown Bolshevist notes. The notes were printed on strips of paper showing three groups of six notes on each strip. These were cut in half, and then the stamps were half, and then the stamps were printed on the back, so that each sheet of stamps has eight whole and two one-half notes on its back.

As these stamps were printed in rather large quantities, you should be able to find some of them among your collection, and if you do, make a note of their history so that you may interest your other collector friends in these stamps. I have not seen any of these issues represented at some of the large exhibitions in the last few years, and I should think that a fine specialized collection of them would cop a prize at any show. It would definitely help to lift the veil of darkness from these stamps, and give them the place they deserve in this great hobby.

William H. Robin Is Now In U. S. Army

From William H. Robin, formerly of Nashville, Tenn., and who has been of much assistance to the editor of this paper in past months comes a cover from Chapel Hill, N. C. Mr. Robin states that he was notified on Monday, March 8, to report at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on Wednesday.

The next day March 11, was the first day of the use of a Free Mail Frank by the Army Air Forces Technical Training Corps at this point, and likewise was the first time that Private Robin be-came elegible to use the "Free" Frank, so this cover is a double first day affair that will hold a prized spot in your editors collection. Friends who care to ad-dress him should address Pvt. William H. Robin, AAFTTC, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C.

COSMOS APRIL SALE

The Cosmos Stamp Company, 116 Nassau street, New York, New a series of four charity
pe printed on the backs of
mished banknotes. Three diffor April 10th. The catalogue is
for April 10th. The catalogue is nt types were used: blue Bol-ready for distribution and offers a choice lot of both United States

The first copy of the new 6c Air Mail Booklet stamp to reach our office came on a handsome cover from Lester McFarland, of Louisville, Ky. The cachet is a brilliant one, picturing American War planes picturing American War planes over Japan and the inscription reads, "Join the Air Force and See Tokyo."

The interesting feature of this new stamp is that it is dif-

ferent than the sheet stamp in more ways than one. No one can clip the sheet stamps and make booklet stamps from them, that is, trim the perforations at the sides and make the sheet stamps appears. the sheet stamp appear as a booklet stamp because the two

stamps differ in size.

The sheet stamp is printed from plates in which the curvature of the plate is with the width so that the sheet stamp is about one mm. wider than the booklet stamp. At the same time, the booklet stamp is from plates that curve with the height of the stamp and like-wise this stamp from the bookwise this stamp from the book-let will show greater in up and down measurement than the booklet stamp, altho this dif-ference is very slight. The best test will be in measurement of width as the difference is about 1 mm. and readily noted.

Free Norway Cover Has Complete Set Of Stamps exhibits in tation of

Mr. E. Youngstrom of Standard, Calif., submits one of the covers the complete set of the re-"Free Norweigans" postage stamps as illustrated in our issue of January 14th. The cover has the six stamps spread across the top and is canceled twice, each cancel covering three stamps.

The cancellation is a large box about 21/2 x13/8 inches in size. At top and center is a ships anchor with three wavy lines at either side. Below this a paneled box with date "24 JAN 1943 9" and below this in two lines of large capital letters "NORSK-SKIP-POST" and HANDELSFLATEN." The cover also bears a PAQUE-BOT mark in black handstamp. It was mailed by T. Chris, from Hampton, Middlesex, England and has the regulation Censor label over the left end of the envelope.

A handsome cover and a war piece that is well yorth preserv-

With New Envelope Orders

According to the New York Sun, the principal reason that the new series of stamped envelopes has not yet made its appearance has been swamped with printing 6c Air Mail Envelopes for overseas use. It is pointed out that soldiers overseas do not like the 6c stamp since they stick together and thus they demand the envelopes. Thus the making of the 6c booklet with protecting paper between pages should remedy that situation and permit the envelope plant to get back to normal production, when the new envelopes, so long promised should appear.

The Sun states that the Dayton manufacturers of envelopes have turned out 139,600,000 of the 6c airmail envelopes in the present fiscal year as against only 20,that is some envelopes.

Advance In Postage And Air Mail Brings Quick Issue Of New Stamp Some Immediate Color Changes

Prices are going up, even postage prices in Canada are now scheduled for an advance, effective April 1st, and this is no April Fool joke either. On that date the basic 3c letter rate will be advanced from 3c to 4 cents and at the same time the airmail rate goes from 6c to 7c. At the same time the 2c city rate which is the same as the 2c rate we have in this country for letters delivered in the city in which they are mailed, will be advanced to 3c.

These announcements came from the Postoffice Department at Ottawa under date of March 15th, It is hardly probably that new stamps can be prepared in time

Philatelic Knowledge Best Definition May

"Entries in the Council of Northern California Philatelic Society's contest to determine a general set of rules for judging stamp shows and exhibits should bear a postmark not later than April 1, 1943. While many excellently prepared entries are already in the hands of the Committee, there is room for improvement and elaboration of ideas.

Perhaps the greatest hazard a judge encounters in weighing an exhibit's merits is the interpretation of the term "philatelic knowledge displayed" (and you'll find this provision in most every exhibitions' set of rules.) Just what is this "Philatelic know-ledge? Is it the mere repetition of the information as listed in Scott's or any other general catalogue? Is it intended rather to be "new philatelic knowledge" and thereresearch of denote kind? An entrant who can give a satisfactory answer to these questions is putting himself in a position to carry off the major award in the contest.

Airmail last minute entries to Chairman Everett Erle, 2374-21st avenue, San Francisco, Califor-

New S. P. A. Year Book Has Just Arrived

The annual Year Book of the Society of Philatelic Americans has just arrived and is all decked out in Patriotic colors this year. The handsome cover in red, white and blue with old glory proudly Envelope Plant Swamped waving in the center of the page gives an added touch of life to this volume. The Society has succeeded in gathering a large amount of advertising copy for the booklet which besides illustrations of the officers and staff of the society has a list of Committees, of regional representa-tives and branch clubs after which is because the plant at Dayton which produces the stamped enand cities with names only

The present officers of the S. P. A. have done splendid work i. the past few years of their incumbency and when a change is made it will be up to the new officers to match the effort and get the results that have been attainby the present body, a task that will put them on their mettle.

Newfoundland Stamps Shown

At the April 2 meeting of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Walter Jones will display his collection of the stamps of Newfoundland and talk on the same subject. Meetings are at the Hollenden 200,000 in the previous year, and Hotel and visiting collectors are welcome.

for this change of rate on April 1st, Collectors however will want covers showing first day of new rate regardless of what stamps are on the cover and the time to get Cop Handsome Award on the cover and the time to get them is so short that many will be disappointed. Doubtless how-ever, Canadian dealers will obtain a supply of such covers and will reap a handsome return from their sale.

It is of course possible that some color changes might be made by printing from the plates of the current set in new colors, no definite information on

what will have to be prepared will be a new 4c stamp which will be printed in red. This will be for the basic letter rate under Postal Union Agreement as to Postal Union Agreement as to color which will be red. This means that the current 3c red stamp will pass out and its color will be changed to a color for the local city delivery. The 2c brown stamp has heretofore been used for this purpose and thus the use of this 2c stamp will be discontinued for that purpose.

A new 4c stamp is to be prepared and it along with other new stamps including the new Airmail stamp and perhaps others will be issued about April 15th or as soon as possible.

No announcement that we have seen speaks about any change in the international 5c rate, but it would seem that there will be a change in this rate also and that will mean the current 5c stamp will fall into lesser use and a new value, probably a 6c in blue may take its place.

With a change from 6c to 7c for the airmail rate, the current 6c airmail stamp will become obsolete and we may have a surcharge here as we have had from Canada in the past. In 1932 the airmail rate was advanced from 5c to 6c and the surcharged stamp appeared. Also the Airmail Special Delivery 16c stamp will have to be changed to a 17c stamp and this too may be a surcharge for use until a new stamp can be prepared.

Speaking of surcharges, it is en-tirely possible that low values of the postage series may be surcharged to meet the new rate on April 1st, Canada has used surcharges for rate changes several times in the past and there is no

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I am indebted to Mr. E. J. Newcomer for some additional information on some temporary R. P. O. Mr. Newcomer writes as follows, "At Christmas time an R. P. O. was operated between Yakima and Wallula (Wash.) on the Union Pacific, and another one between Walla Walla and Wallula on the same R. R. Both are branches of a branch line from Spokane to Umatilla, Oregon, which connects there with the main line from

Portland to Omaha. These R. P. O. have operated for some years only from Dec. 17 to 23. The clerk this year (1942) was provided only with a red ink hence had to make his cancellations in red—illegally. This on the Yakima Wallula run. On the WallaWalla Wallula run they used an old Wallula Transfer Of-

fice cancel.

A clerk who had the run previously tells me that some years ago they used the old Spokane & Moscow postmark on the Walla Walla-Wallula run. It had originally used on the Spokane & Inland Empire, an electric line which still handles freight but no mail or passengers. R. M. S. on that line was discontinued in April 1939 so the postmark must have been used on the U. P. either in December of 1939 or either in December of 1888 1940." I am grateful to Mr. Newof you can report any other temporarp offices please let me hear of them.

Mr. Leland C. Lewis sends in a few tracings of some foreign R. P. O. One, from North Borneo, shows a double circle with the words MAIL TRAIN around the top and NORTH BORNEO around the bottom. The date is in the center. One form Ceylon is similar with OSONA- CEYLON T. P. O. around the top and the bottom

From Mr. Walter Bates some Interesting foreign items. One is a stamped envelope from Columbia. It has a regular Columbian stamp printed in the top center and in a curving line under it the words 'SERVICIO POSTAL FERREO' It is the first item I have seen that was designed solely for R. P. O. use. Mr. Bates also sent several types of the Austrian and South American cancels that have been described in these columns before.

I am grateful to both of the gentlemen mentioned above for the information on foreign cancels. I am becoming more and more interested in them and recommend them to all of you. They make a nice showing in any collection and there are so many varieties some quite fancy. I would like very much to hear from any of you who collect them.

From Mr. D. D. Livingston a little booklet that is crammed full of information. Its title, "Rail-Facts." From it I gleaned the following, (all figures are for Class I roads only.) For 1941 the revenue from mail was \$108,-192,461 an increase of \$7,105,563 over the preceeding year. The booklet lists the revenue from 1916 through 1941. The revenue in 1916 was only \$61,223,671 which gives some idea of the increased use of the RMS today.

In a letter from Mr. Koelln he were printed. calls attention to the Postal Odities cartoon of Jan. 7. That was the one that showed the cancel of three different all three the one that showed the cancel of three different plate numbers apthe GREATERVILLE & TOTAL pear. WRECK R. P. O. Mr. Koelln says "There never was such an R. P. O. and the whole thing started in California as a joke and it has fooled many people both those in the Postal Service as well as outsiders." Mr. Koelln should know as he probably has more information on R. P. O. than anyone

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has. As most of you know he is compiling a listing of all R. P. O. cancels as well as giving a short history of the line. His the "TRANSIT POSTMARK" cannot recommended too highly to R. P. O. collectors.

I suppose that all of us have seen some Currier & Ives prints at some time or other but have any of you ever noticed in their prints how often a picture of a railway mail car is included? They would make fine illustra-tions for a collection of the cancels of the period but alas they are beyond the reach of most of However we can include a few pictures not quite so expensive in our collections and I believe that we should do so as they make for more interest.

Can anyone show me any covers that were carried entirely by rail without ever entering a postoffice. They would occur only on the correspondence of the railroad. I have never seen any but understand there are such things and that the markings are quite distinctive. Would like to hear more about them.

FREAKORNER

Address All Correspondence ABRAHAM WINICK 1620 E. Second St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Several weeks ago we covered the field of phantom plate numbers. As you probably know, the phantom number is usually the same number that appears in the correct position on the sheet, and is merely a repetition of this number. However, phantom plate numbers have been known to differ from the regular sheet numbers. This variation, as far as I can recall, has never given rise to more than one number that is different from the regular plate number. In other words, phantom strip never contains more than two different numbers.

The subject of this week's discussion is similar, and yet quite different from the above variety. The item is a bottom marginal block of four of the 5c Aeronautics commemorative stamp. This block shows the plate number 19659 in blue ink, just beneath the lower left hand stamp. On the reverse side of the block, there is an offset of plate numbers 19-660 and 19661, beneath the same stamp and in the same approxi-mate area. Thus, this block has three different numbers, one on the right side of the sheet, and two in reverse print on the other side of the sheet, resulting of course from a strong offset. The fact that these three numbers are consecutive, is really one of those queer freaks of stamp production. These two offsets are also in the same blue ink, which corresponds to the color in which these stamps

TURNED ENVELOPES

Sgt. Hempstead out at Camp Phillips, Kansas sends a letter that brings back thoughts of the covers of Civil War Days. He used a large number 11 size envelope that was originally used by a War Department office in Chicago. The Sgt. turned the envelope inside out and used it in mailing a letter to our office. that gives us a War Department penalty envelope cover on the inside and an Army "Free" frank on the outside.

P-C-E-C

All Correspondence to the Secretary WESLEY SMITH Kirksville, Mo.

The March 11th copy of Linn's Weekly carried a news item concerning the meter slogan being used by Morris Plan Bankers association. This slogan carries the likeness of Adolf Hitler, Benito Mussolini, and Hirohito. An imp, named "inflation," is also pictured, and he is advising: "If you

squawk, blame them—and watch out for me!"

Mr. Yoder, the Director of Public Relations, has consented to permit members of PCEC to obtain this meter slogan on covers. Self-addressed envelopes (patriotics if you wish) should be sent to the Secretary of the Patriotic Cover Exchange Club, enclosing three cents for each cover desir-ed. (The three cents is to pay the postage). Do not attach stamps to the covers as the meter will be used. PCEC members will not be required to pay the usual forwarding fee. Remember that covers and money for postage should be sent to the Secretary of PCEC before April 5, 1943.

We had a good response from our first column of last week. There are many interested in collecting the type of material that is now prevalent in the mail. Inquiries have come concerning patriotic covers, V Mail forms, cen-sored covers, etc. Each of these inquiries have been answered. Next week we will begin to list members' names. Will yours be

This column, which will appear in Linn's each week, will be primarily for listing new members and disseminating general information concerning those items members collect. PCEC is indeed fortunate to have Linn's as its official journal because of many articles appearing on patrio tic covers, etc. As you probably know, Linn's is currently catalogall patriotic covers, ing will be a great help in the fu-ture in collecting them.

Although we have tried to include all material related to patriotic and war covers, we may have missed the very item you collect. If that is the case, it does not mean that you cannot join the PCEC. Write to the Secretary, telling me what you collect in addition to what we have included.
One item we did not include is

postal slogans relating to the war. 'Buy War Bonds and Stamps" is a good example. The newest postal slogan to come into use is the Red Cross slogan: "Give Red Cross War Fund." These postal slogans are part of war cover collecting should be included in your collection. Anyone interested in the latter slogan is invited to correspond with the secretary PCEC.

There is one point which we wish to make: PCEC is a non-profit organization-with the one purpose to help collectors increase their own personal collections. this idea in mind, we must ask that when writing a letter to the secretary which calls for a reply, please enclose a three cent stamp. We shall try to answer questions of a general nature in the weekly column-but if you want a personal reply, please send that purple sticker too.

Next week-list of members to date. Remember that by joining early you will derive more benefits from PCEC

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A Great Day In **Canadian Philately**

Saturday, March 6th, was a big day in Canadian philately, for it was then at Montreal, Quebec, that what is probably the most outstanding collection of Canadian Postal Stationery in existence became the property of the Can-adian Post Office Department, Professor R. DeL. French, of McGill University presented it to the Hon. Wiliam P. Mulock, Post-master -General, who signed the document on behalf of the Post Office Department. However, Professor French will keep the collection in his own possession for time yet, since he still has some work to do on it.

Well over one thousand items are included in this unique collection, which is probably the most complete in the world. Included are one used and one unused copy almost every article of postal stationery issued in Canada since 1860, stamped enve-lopes, both official and private, stamped post cards, and postal wrappers bearing imprints of the postage die. The collection is housed in several upright filing P. O. Box 14. Staten Island, N. Y.

NEW YORK WOMENS SOCIETY TENTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Mrs. Henry A. Diamant of Philadelphia expects to be in attenda...ce at the tenth anniversary dinner of the New York Women's Philatelic Society which will be held at Maison Louis., 108 West 49th Street, New York, on March 25th.

cases, mounted on separate sheets, and filed in vertical filing hold. ers. It is believed by postal of-ficials that Professor French is the first Canadian ever to have made so notable a gift to the Post Office.

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"It is hereby notified for general information that it is pro-

posed to issue a certain number of Leeward Islands postage stamps in commemoration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee. "The stamps

will be overprinted with a circle bearing the word 'Sexagenary' and the figures '1897,' and in the relate. centre of the circle the letters 'V. R. I.'
"The stamps will be on sale at the several post offices throughout

the Leeward Islands from Thursday, the 22nd instant, and the sales will continue for one week from that date.

LESLIE JARVIS

Clerk, Executive Council" The commemorative overprint, in the form of a Garter, was applied at St. John's, Antigua, by handstamp, each stamp being treated separately; but, despite this, only one value, the ½d., has been recorded with the overprint inverted, and five, viz., ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., and 6d., with double impressions of the overprint. These varieties are of some rarity, although there ap-pears to be no record as to the actual numbers existing of each.
The total number of stamps so

treated amounted to 61,860, ranging from 15,600 apiece of the three lowest denominations to only on of the 5s. Contrary to a report circulated at the time, however, they were not all sold out with-in twenty-four hours of being placed on sale, and at the end of the week's currency the Govern-ment was left with certain " re-mainders on their hands.." These were subsequently offered for sale by tender (October 1st, 1897), but whether they found a buyer or



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On the basis of these figures the whole set must be regarded as de-

finitely under-catalogued, even assuming that the "remain-ders" did eventually find their way on to the market, the shillings values would appear to be very modestly valued.

-Stamp Collecting, London.

GLANCING at MONGOLIA

Mongolia-that vast and sprawling expanse of the earth's surface in the central part of the Asiatic mainland—is a great plains region, And these great plains which extend from the Great Kningan Mountains range in the east to the great Altai Mountain ranges in the west are, almost all, desert. Its area has been estimated at 1,878,000 square miles and its population has been approximated at 900,000 natives who have ever lived a nomadic life. These figures do not include the erstwhile "Inner Mongolia" that, early in 1928, declared its allegiance to Nationalist China and which then became the provinces of Chahar, Suiyuan and Ninghsia within the Republic of China.

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A stolidly-built, sturdy people with prominent cheek-bones and broad flat faces, the Mongols have straight, black hair, noses of medium width but broad nostrils, and a skin that varies from yellow to yellowish-brown. Anthropologists now generally believe that the American Indian came original-ly from northern Asia, and therefore of ancient Mongolian descent.

The Mongols have never forgot-ten that they are the descendents of Ghengis Khan (1162-1227) whose genius built one of the greatest empires the world has ever known. History tells that this empire, started by Ghengis Khan and extended by his suc-cessors through Kublai Khan. cessors through Kublai Khan, spread from the Pacific Ocean to the Dneiper river in Europe; but that it started its disintegration in the year 1335 when a Chinese priest abandoned his garb to turn warrior, leading his Chinese forces to beat back the Mongol hordes and establish the Ming Dynasty. The lands of the Mongols became a part of the Chinese empire.

The Mongols in Outer Mongolia (or what is known as Mongolia in present times) grasped occasion to claim complete independence again in 1911 when Manchus were deposed in the Chinese revolution. It is now a self-governing state, modeled on Soviet lines and referred to as a "Peoples Republic." It is closely allied to the Russian Union of Socialist Soviet Republics but not recognized as a formal part thereof, Its capital is at Ulan-Bater (formerly known as Urga) in the northern part of the country and to the southeast of Irkutsk, Siberia.

In the old Inner Mongolia (or those vast sections now encom-passed in China's Provinces of Chahar, Suiyuan and Ninghsia) political tides have been flowing in the last few years or since the Japanese invasion of China start-

ed. For these areas, a Japanese sponsored government, known as the "Meng Chiang Autonomous Government Union," has been set up—a buffer state again, between Soviet-influenced Mongolia on the north and the old China proper on the south. Political observers are keeping watchful eyes on these old sections of the world as the set-ups of the present day embody political acorns which may sprout to great history-making events.

The Mongols subsist on the produce of their herds and the real Mongol never eats vegetables, fish chickens or eggs; finding his sustenance in the milk, curd, cheese and meat obtained from his cows, mares, sheep, goats and camels. What very small amount of goods that the Mongol brings in from the outside world for his economy are all borne by camel caravans.

In Mongolia the pails into which milk is received are never washed since it is believed that the water-spirit might come into conflict with the milk spirit and illluck for men, cattle and animals would ensue. The practice of agriculture is against a Mongol's nature since he has a horror of digging the earth, maintaining that Mother Earth was never meant to be delved and that digging displeases the gods. As though they would identify themselves with their steppe land, prairie and desert, Mongols wish to have as litto do with water as possible; and for this reason never bathe throughout the whole of their lives. Were a Mongol to have much to do with water, he might be reincarnated as a fish and this would be a terrible calamity.

From time immemorial the tent has been the home of the Mongol. Such tents are composed of thick felts arranged to withstand wind and snow; and according to wealth or poverty, the interior is hung with handsome or shabby stuffs. Severe simplicity is the general rule of the Mongol. Whether rich or poor the mode of life is much same-rough, strong, homemade clothes, harness and equip-ment; one or two trunks to contain treasure and best clothes; a hospitable reception for any traveler; no tables or chairs and a fixed etiquette as to privacy, precedence or right to squat in certain honored or taboo-ed places.

C. P. S. APRIL MEETINGS

Mr. W. V. Kenworthy will talk about Siberia and his experiences while there during World War I, ct the April 1st meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society.

For the meeting of April 15th, Richard Canman will display stamps of China and talk on the same topic. This meeting is dedicated to the Chicago Air Mail Collectors are invited to attend. Meetings are held at 7:00 p. m. in the Hotel Atlantic, East Room at Clark and Jackson St.

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In addition to the lot of stamps from the Colonel Green Estate that have been placed with Harmer, Rooke & Company as an-nounced last week, a further sale has been arranged through the offices of Percy G. Doane in June. The Harmer, Rooke Sale has been definitely set for May 18th and following days. These two sales will be all until fall,

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Starting Our Second Year in Sidney

This number of Linn's Weekly Stamp News marks the beginning of our Second Year of Publication from our location here in Sidney, Ohio. The time has flown so fast that we have scarcely noticed the passing. This comes from a happy and contented state of mind cou-



pled with a year filled with work that has been both pleasant and profitable. While not so profita-ble in a financial way as one might hope for it has been profitable in many other ways, for we are more soundly and firmly established, we have weathered the storm that might have blown up as weathered the storm that might have blown up as a result of our change of form from magazine style to Tabloid. We recognize that there are some readers who yet mourn that change, but by far the greatest number who have taken the time to express their opinion on the matter, are overwelmingly in favor of the new paper and our own belief based on our daily mail is that the change was a desirable one. In the past years most stamp papers desirable one. In the past years most stamp papers

Geo. W. Linn have been of the magazine style of publication. That meant primarily that the contents and the published matter Geo. W. Linn was mostly in the nature of stories and studies of stamps, matter that could as well be printed next month or next week as today, the time element had little effect on such publication. For a great many years there was but one weekly stamp paper in America, it has only been in the past twenty-five years or less that there has been a change in this situation and that more weeklies are now printed than monthly papers. Even today, most of the weekly papers still carry on in the general plan of printing articles about stamps and give less attention to news of stamps and the stamp world. Our thought in making the change to the Tabloid Newspaper Style was that we be-lieved that there was a field for a strictly Philatelic Newspaper. That a paper that would give more attention to presenting the news of the stamp world than to printing articles about stamps, would that response from the collectors of America. We believe we possible that the Central Ohio have a lot of readers who agree with us on this subject. There are still plenty of weekly papers which do devote most of their space to strictly stamp articles and with less use of news. For the collector who prefers that type of matter, they are available at various prices, and for only 25c more that same collector can get a paper which on the other hand, gives him the news. This makes a very happy and practical combination that has met with much approval.

There are things in favor of both types of paper and with the

low cost for a paper of this type, the collector can well afford both kinds.

The past year has been a difficult one for everyone in any walk of life, Our own problems have been many—we do not expect to be able to solve them in a satisfactory manner until the war is won. In name, This year in going after the meantime, we will be satisfied if we can struggle along and be data the work will be divided here when the curtain good data. here when the curtain goes down, after which we hope to have associated with us another capable philatelist and by the combined efforts of the two of us we will be able to put this paper out in front in such a manner as we have long dreamed about. The task is too great for one person, patience is a virtue that we have plenty of and if our readers will bear with us over the present emergency, stand with us by renewing their subscriptions, we will be in a pos-ition when the time is opportune to reward them for that patience on their part.

PHILATELIC KNOWLEDGE

In an item elsewhere in this issue, Everett Erle, Chairman of the Committee of the Council of Northern California Stamp Clubs states that the contest now being conducted by the Council for the purpose of formulating a set of rules to judge stamp exhibitions has shown one specification in almost all the rules submitted and this is with reference to "Philatelic Knowledge Shown". This leads Mr. Erle to ask just what is Philatelic Knowledge? It is what you find stated in the Scott Catalogue or in general handbooks or is it original research bringing forth new and additional information?

It would seem that Mr. Erle has brought out a point here that

does need clarifying and that when one thinks the matter over carefully he will readily realize that there is a vast difference between Philatelic Knowledge and Philatelic Research, which in the end is of course Philatelic Knowledge, but knowledge that should rate an entirely different classification and even more points for the exhibitor.

My own personal argument would be that Philatelic Knowledge in its broadest form should include both known and published facts as well as original research and new facts and information. However, to classify Philatelic Knowledge in this manner might lead to Knowledge should cover only known facts.

More important than this however is Philatelic Research, this

classification should be of more importance and carry more value lectors own study and research.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART Baltimora, Ohio

I. Q. Test.

The other day in evening newspapers there were some questions to test your I. Q. rating. Among them was one that asked in which state were the places Napoleon, Wellington and Waterloo. newspaper answer was SOURI but if you will take the time to check up you will find that OHIO also has these three towns. Napoleon, O. is over close to Toledo, Wellington is south of Elyria and Waterloo is in the southern part of the state close to Gallipolis. The first two places use precancels. Even if the Water-loo in the south did not exist there still would be a Waterloo in Ohio as there is a little unincorporated place about ten miles west of Baltimore, just west of Canal Winchester called Waterloo, Population not over 100 but at one time I guess it was a pretty important place. I think there was a post office there prior to 1910. As with so many places some other town nearby had some advantages and just drew the life blood away from the original town. This Winchester did to Waterloo, I know nothing about the Waterloo in the southern part of the state. When you get into checking a town collection it will amaze you of the places that have like names in the different states. Checking the catalog I do not find any of the Missouri towns using precancels but it is quite possible that all of them have used them by now, Missouri col-

No Bourse, No Swap,

lectors note.

The Columbus Philatelic Club this year will hold its exhibition at the Oblo State Museum. Due circumstances beyond the control of the officers it was impossible to arrange for a bourse or swapping accomadations. Generally the Central Ohio Precancel Club sends out a call to precan-cel collectors at this time and makes the meet a joint affair. Since buying, selling and swap-ping are the main "forte" of precancel collectors there will little of interest to them at this Precancel Club can arrange a swap fest for some time in MAY, If interested keep tuned to this column.

Second Edition.

Of the "GOOK BOOK." A name I guess the publishers are not proud of so we wont use it any more. The SPECIALISTS GUIDE TO BUREAU PRINTED in two parts. The Repairs, Inlays etc, is one group and is in charge of Chas. Higby, 25 Kemore Rd. Valley Stream, N. Y. The listing of the Handset and Machine-set items is in charge of Chas. C. Colver 1102 18th Ave. Altoona, Pa. If you are interested in either of these specialities and think you have something that should be listed please contact one or other of the above named the gentlemen.

Cano, vice-treasurer.

than Philatelic Knowledge, for it was and it has been Philatelic Research that has given us the Philatelic Knowledge now available in catalogues and booklets. Therefore additional Philatelic Research, Research that brings forth new facts, should give an exhibitor more credit and more points than a mere use of known facts in his writeups of album pages and stamps.

ever, to classify Philatelic Knowledge in this manner might lead to defeating its real meaning and I would believe that we would do well to accept Philatelic Knowledge as meaning Knowledge of Known facts as may be found in Catalogues and handbooks, for certainly nothing not yet known is Knowledge, therefore Philatelic Rowledge and the other Philatelic Research, would be the proper certainly nothing not yet known is Knowledge, therefore Philatelic Rowledge and the other Philatelic Research, would be the proper answer to this question. The first to be based on the use of known facts about stamps is shown by the collectors writeup and dispaly and the latter to be based on new information, a result of the col-

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There were approximately 250 collector's first flight covers ried on the first southbound flight of AM-5° from Little Rock, Ark., (to Shreveport and Houston,) on March 1, and about 200 collector's covers carried on the northbound flight (to Memphis). In addition, there was also a large quantity of business mail carried, but the exact poundage is not known at this time. Southbound covers are cancelled at various times between 7 a. m. to 12 p. m. whil Northbound covers were cancelled be-tween 2:30 p. m. and 6:30 p m. Adams Field is the airport used at Little Rock.

The airport at Dodge City, Kansas, will be dedicated in the near future. Covers should be sent to the Chamber of Commerce at Dodge City. Do not confuse this event with the first flight which took place on February 1.

Service to Monroe, La., on AM 24 was recently resumed. This was one of the many stops dis-continued when the airlines curtailed their mileage last May.

Thanks for information to Albert N. Brown, G. F. Lancaster and George Wettach. Don't forget that all air news is welcome for this column.

HISTORY MIXED UP

Up to today we thought Bunker Hill was in Massachusetts, but this morning our mail contained a cover with an Idaho 3c Commemorative stamp on it and a clean neat cancellation, hand stamped, "BUNKERHILL, has a photo of a handsome looking CUBAN CLUB ELECTS

The Philatelic Club of Cuba, in the upper left corner beneath which is written "Bunker Hill, Kans." In the Havana, held its annual election lower right corner the picture of on January 7 at which time Sr. your Editor that was printed in Rafael O. Costells was elected the February 25 issue of this president; Sr. Edelberto de Car- paper and the printed words, Sidrera, vice-president; Dr. Ernesto Bello, secretary; Sr. Richard Mil-ian, vice-secretary; Sr. Rafael R. states that the photo on the cover Garcia, treasurer and Sr. Alfredo is her husband and she feels quite proud of him too as she should.

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OUR GIRLS OWN COLUMN

By EULALIA TURNER Box 126, Azusa, Calif.

Collectors fortunate enough to have friends or relative at Torney General hospital, Palm Springs, Calif., came up with a First Day cover not to be sneezed at under February 1 date, providing friend or relative chanced to write on that particular day. For that date marked birth of Torney General Hospital's own post-office. Up to that time, military mail for the huge receiving hospital had been routed to Indio thence to the lo-cal Palm Springs office. Torney General celebrated opening of its own post office by issuing an attractive cachet which told the world the hospital was located in the "Garden of the Sun"—and people who have visited the site during mid-summer won't argue against that declaration at all!.... Palm Springs is where they really turn on the big heat in mid-Summer and where movie queens flitting out from Hollywood turned on the big heat in mid-WinterTwo palm trees decorating a corner of what is supposed to be the Mission-type old Paseo El Mirador Hotel which now quarters administrative offices, toned off the cachet. A red twin-circled hand-stamp was applied in addition to the regular machine cancel in black.... You cover collectors have to catch these camp, cantonement and hospital cachets quick for no advance warning seems to get out as to when a new camp post-office is to be opened. British Colonial collectors who

have been hungering for something new to seep in from their pet domains have a bit to rejoice over in the recent Fiji over-print. war shortages caused the island to take its regular 2 pence issue of 1938-40 and run it up to a 2½ pence adhesive. This particular stamp is especially interesting to those who have a leaning toward the map items.

Speaking of British Colonials, many collectors, whether they are especially fond of the Colonials or not, opine that soon as the war ends, there will be a general rush for these stamps, both new current and old issues. The reason? Aside from a stray now and then, nothing much has showed up on the market except from Canada in any quantity. Wholesalers, un-able to obtain the quantities they'd like, have been compelled to turn to countries which offer them quantity. Central and South America have been the result with a straggling of other United Nations stamps mixed in. Central and South American have been catching the heavy play the past 18-months and will perhaps con-tinue to do so till the close of the War. Then is when many feel collectors will promptly switch in goodly number to other fields with British Colonials, France, Belgium, Poland, Luxenbourg and other temporarily imprisoned countries receiving strong atten-

Have you ever wondered how many different angles there are to stamp dealing? And have you ever wondered just what the "Take" can be in some of the endless angles of the merchandising end of the game? Well, Jack Goldstein, writing in The Stamp Wholesaler of March 10, offers a fascinating bit of fact as to how one particular dealer, together with his wife and two children, make out as stamp dealers:

Jerry Eldredge of Brooklyn is well-known packet-maker.
With Mrs. Eldredge and their two sons, he turns out 1,000 packets a day of a combination known as 25- different stamps to the packet. He and Mrs. Eldredge work five hours a day and the boys put in four hours a day each, The combined labor runs to 18hours per day; the take from said labor runs to \$14 per day, minus cost of envelopes, hinges (18 of the 25 stamps are hinged to stay in place inside the packet enope) and the mixtures from which the packets are made up.
Thus the Eldredges average \$90 week from the packet end of the same—plus enough time for Mr. Eldredge to tour Gotham and

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surrounding environs and show his wares, sell in addition his own packets of 500 different stamps not to mention plenty of pictorials in quantities of 10 each and up to dealers along the route. So, you see the ladies are in stamp game in other spots than behind the counter of the retail store. Incidentally, Mr. Eldredge told Mr. Goldstein the packet business was on the big boom. boom. business was on the big That means many new collectors are starting into the hobby and in their eagerness, the so-manyall-different packets are select-ed to give them the widest representative showing right off the reel.

Well, ladies, this is our column. Exclusively ours. Oh, the men can horn in now and then, perhaps; they don't rate a ring-side seat! George Linn says he favors a column solely for the women, feels it is due their vast and rapidly growing number of collectors. So if you are a woman collector, any bit of information you care to pass along will be appreciated. How large is your collection? How long have you been collecting? What is your specialty or pet side line? Or do you go in for general collecting of the world? If you can do it without taking time off from your U S O work or from your riveting machine or blow-torch, why not drop us a line and spread the tidings? And if you chance across anything which might be of interest to the women collectors, that also will be doubly welcome. Be hearn' from you. Address me at Box 126, Azusa, Calif.

DETROIT NEWS

At the recent meeting of the Ann Arbor Stamp Club on February 27, an auction was held net-\$28.70, the entire proceeds ting of which was turned over to the Red Cross Society, also the charges for the Bousse tables was donated to the same cause, the total being \$36.70. A very worthy effort, we would say. Considering the times, a fair crowd was in attendance, thirty frames of stamps were shown, and about went down to the Michigan Union dining room for dinner.

One of the looked forward to events each year, was held on Wednesday March 3, by the Fer-ndale Stamp Club. This one being their third, was called the "Non-Ration" Party and was sponsored by their Past Presidents. After an evening of stamps, bourse, etc. the hosts of the evening donned their white aprons and caps and proceeded to serve a very nice lunch to all who attended.

Dr. G. L. Walbott of Hunting-ton Woods showed his collection of British stamps, Adolph Meyer, his U. S. and a very interesting exhibit of dolls of various countries was on display, owned by Mrs. Richard Osborne of Ferndale. On the whole, this club is one of the liveliest in the Detroit area, and can set an example of activities for any organization to pattern after.

The Lansing Stamp Club announce a meeting and bourse to be held at the Lansing Recreation Center on Saturday, March 27. Particulars can be obtained from their Secretary, T. B. Simpson, 323 Haag Court, Lansing. One of the features, as we understand it, is that the club is putting on a "feed," but don't crowd, we are not sure if we heard it right. Better go and see.

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Trustees; Allen D. Lichtig, D. R. Heath, and Adolph Meyer.

At the last two meetings of the Wayne Stamp Society, two very interesting talks were given. The first, by Jacob Busch, of his experiences in the Phillip-ine Islands, way back in 1898, when Corrigedor was inhabited by a colony of lepers. Mr. Busch specializes in British Colonials.
The other talk was given by Mr.
Alexis Kellner of the Kellog
Stamp Co. of this city. His comments were for the most part, mainly directed on catalogue ues. At this meeting, March 11th, we were pleasantly surprised to have as a caller, Clyde Jackson, who was one of the original organizers of the club back in 1925. He has been out of touch with Detroit for the last ten years, but assured the members that he prowill be coming around again. Karl Koslowski will be the feature at the next meeting on March 25th. All collectors are wel-



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11 at the General Brodhead Hotel, Beaver Falls, Pa.
Recognized as Western Pennsylvania's biggest stamp show, the party is expected to attract a large throng of collectors despite war conditions. However, the exhibit itself is being planned primarily to interest the "home folks"—the men and women from the community itself who will file into the hotel display room to see the 32 frames of philatelic items. the 32 frames of philatelic items. The material on display will con-sist of items associated with the war—censored mail, U. S. and foreign covers, issues from the United Nations, the little occupied nations, the lands where U. S. soldiers are fighting, naval cancellations, etc.

There will be a dinner and pro-gram at 6:30 o'clock Saturday night and in the late evening the Visiting Firemen of Philately will hold their annual election of officers. Special entertainment will be provided for the ladies.

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Sunday will be marked by a continuation of the exhibit and bourse. L. W. McDanel is general chairman of the event.

Early Use Free Mail **Label And Canadian** Covers Of Interest 11

With the receipts of last week's issue and the fine article on the "FREE" stamp that was produced privately for soldier mail, I re-called that I had a cover tucked away in my collection of "FREE" stamps. Upon investigating I find it was mailed from Langley Field, Virginia, on August 18, 1942. This is the only instance of the use of this stamp that I have encounter-

Another cover of interest in my collection is one postmarked Little Norway, Canada. This, I understand, is from an aviation training center under the direct control of Norway, the land for which was assigned by Canada. In reality it is Norwegian territory, for the duration only per-

Speaking of covers from Can-ada, just this week I acquired two different ones which appear to be from secret bases as the cancellations have heavy solid rings where the city name appears normally. The one has the ring flush with the outer circle of the cancellation but the other has the ring spaced about a thirty-

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Description P Mussoloni astride a horse stalked by the British Lion, Green. (The Old Gray Mare, She Ain't What She Used to be!) Liberty hitting Hitler on top of his head with her torch.

Reddish purple Hitler between pillars of Bank of England trying to push them apart. (Not Efen a Wiggle). John Bull peering over wall, (Not a Chance Adolf!) (Sampson the Second is not

Laughs Last-) Big Ethiopian with spear (He! He! 'He! He!)

Liap of Greece with Mussoloni slipping on same, (I Slipped!) Brown
Mussoloni clinging to log in sea, his ships sinking, British ship in background. (Hitler Told Me to Come Out) and (Licked on Land and Licked at Sea—Somebody Take The

Mussoloni wading in shallow water behind point of land with battleship in one hand and other in water, British Battleship in distance. (I'll sink the English Navy if they catch

me!), Blue Uncle Sam and John Bull carrying "Japan" to Dog House

(You've Gone Far Enough!) at bottom, (Stop Hitler Now!)

Same as number 13, Brown
Uncle Sam from waist up sleeves rolled up, behind double lined V, no wording. Blue
Same as No. 15, but with outline of V in red, balance in blue

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Head of Sailor with R. C. N.) on cap band, his finger over his lip, (Sealed Lips Will Save Our Ships). Blue and red.

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5 Printed in Purple
EDITORS NOTE—Mr. Wm. H. Robin of Nashville, Tenn. who
was helping with the listing of these envelopes has been called to the service and can no longer give time to this york. Any future correspondence regarding these listings must be sent to the publisher at

Sidney, Ohio.

We have had several letters asking why we do not publish complete address of the person making the envelopes we list. The reason we do not do this is because our publication exists on advertising patronage. We have advertising patrons who are paying for space in which to offer Patriotic envelopes for collectors and if other publishers have not enough faith in their products to pay for advertising space to sell to our readers, we are not going to give them such pub-

the familiar VM-in box killer. -Charles R. Dale.



George C. Needham of Coates. stamps to make a 15c special de- because of the method of its use. livery rate. Mr. Needham wants of its use. to know its value.

If Dr. Babcock were still with us his records would doubtless show what this stamp has brought at auction an cover. The stamp being on a combination rate cover for special delivery is of course much more rare than if used alone on a cover. On cover alone, Scott lists the stamp at \$50.00.

It might be remarked here that if there was as much demand for covers as there is for the stamp itself off cover that \$50.00 would be a very small fraction of its value. Items such as this have a

second of an inch. The latter has far more limited market than stamps off cover and the only way to judge their value is to watch auction prices for such items. Our own estimation of value means nothing in a situation like this for if we would merely price the stamp according to its scarcity, the price would have to run into hundreds of dollars, but with things of this sort the price can only be based on what someone is ready to pay for it and that ville, Pa., writes that he has just a far different matter. It would acquired a nice copy of Scott No. seem however that the cover that 499, the 5c error on cover. The stamp is on a cover with other bit more than the Scott quotation

OLD EXCHANGE RACKET

The following clipping from a reader is published as an example of what may or may not have happened. It is a fact however

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DUCKS RW 1 \$1 RW 2 \$1 RW 3 \$1 RW 4 \$1 RW 6 \$1 RW 7 \$1 RW 8 \$1

NEW CANADA STAMP TO BE ISSUED IN APRIL

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reason why it should not be done

All in all, collectors will have a merry time trying to get all these changes, no matter how made on First Day Covers.

We hope to have a definite an-nouncement from the Canadian Government regarding first day issue of the new stamps, which are expected to be issued about April 15th, but the time is so short, this change coming so unexpectedly, that it is going to be a scramble to get the covers.

The thought that comes from this change in Canada now leads us to wonder if we may get the same rate change here. It is to be noted that Postmaster General Walker in a recent statement said that an advance of 1/2c in our basic letter rate would permit the Postoffice Department to balance its budget for the coming year and if Canada has done it, we too may be in for a similar change in the future. Our thanks are due Mr. W. R.

Adams of Toronto, for a clipping from which we have gathered the information above.

Another clipping gives some further information on the pro-posed rate changes which are that, letters for local delivery will be 3c for the first ounce and 1c for each additional ounce. Letters to other parts of Canada to the U. S., the British Empire countries, France, and all countries in North and South America will be 4c for the first ounce and 2c for each additional ounce.

Airmail rates within Canada will be 7 cents for the first ounce and 5 cents for each additional ounce while airmail rates to the United States will be 7c for the first ounce and 6 cents for each additional ounce.

Business reply envelopes, now subject to 4c postage on delivery will be advanced to 5c postage.

that following the last war, ex-change between this country and Canada was at one time so mixed up that a similar practice was possible with profit. It was quickly remedied however.

CLEVER YANK

Bethany, Mo., March 11—To make money, trot from bank to postoffice, writes Sgt. Lewis Israel from Casablanca.

American postoffices there valued francs at 50 for a dollar. Banks still sold them 75 for a

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of funds for pushing the U. P.

cause the western coast would never be inhabited." The 3c—Daniel Webster—was

issued the same day as the Wm. Penn stamp, October 24, 1932, flat plate, perf. 11 no wmk. and is recorded in violet of several shades, with some minor varieties of small

importance. The picture is from a

bust modeled by Daniel C. French and owned by the Congregational

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N. Allen of Dartmouth College, philatelist, suggested to Senator Moses a new stamp, and also that it be placed on first day sale at Dartmouth, where Webster was of the class of 1801, and Franklin, N. H., his birthplace. Both sug-gestions were accepted and then Exeter, N. H. where his education was begun, was added.

It may be some consolation to us mortals of a minor mould to remember that Webster opposed the annexation of Texas and the war with Mexico, and that on the Railway to the Pacific coast, "be-floor of the United States Senate he bitterly opposed the granting

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ALASKAN MAIL CENSORED

Depite the hullaballo caised in congress some weeks ago about the censoring of mail from Alaska to the states, the censors still rule the roost as is evidenced by a letter from a subscriber in Juneau who has just renewed his subscription to Linn's Weekly Stamp News These covers will form an interesting part of our

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Despite these privations, the Poles will not admit defeat. They have a powerful underground movement and the Germans have never been able to find a Polish "Quisling"! Those of her soldiers and sailors who managed to escape are serving now in the different branches of the Allied forces.

LEST WE FORGET. Time crasses a lot of memories ... and the Polish Blitz War seems like a long time ago. But the Polish Government Abroad issued a set of stamps which gives a complete picture of our Polish Allies' part in this war (Scott Nos. 3K1-3K8).

On these stamps you'll see ... The Ruins of Warsaw ... destruction of U.S. Embassy (remember Ambassador Biddle).

(Scott Nos. 3K1-3K8).

On these stamps you'll see . . . The Ruins of Warsaw . . , destruction of U. S. Embassy (remember Ambassador Biddle narrowly escaping death?). Then you'll see the Polish forces serving to-day Tanks, Machine Gunners, Air Forces attached to RAF . . . Polish Submarine "Orcel" (even after Poland had been occupied this submarine was cruising around blowing up Nazi ships for days afterward, making life generally miserable for Germany's Admiral Raeder,)

No matter what you collect, every American should have this set in his collection! Most of you bought the similar recently issued set for Norwegian Government Abroad from me but this one's even better.

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